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## Shortage of measles vaccine

By Jamie Pitts

Daily staff writer

If the measles epidemic were to hit SJSU, health officials don't know where the vaccine would come from.

When the measles epidemic hit Los Angeles most of the available vaccine was sent down there, said Dr. Robert Latta, associate director of student health services.

The measles are contagious four days before and after the rash breaks out which makes it difficult to contain, said Laura Levin, program nurse.

"The measles are the most contagious disease known to man," Latta said.

For some reason college-age adults seem to be more susceptible to the disease despite the fact most

students have been immunized, Latta said.

Possibly, some students were never immunized or if they were it wasn't done correctly, Latta said. Another cause could be bad vaccine, he said.

The vaccine is live so it must be kept frozen until just before an injection; sun or heat could ruin a batch of vaccine, Latta said.

The Center for Disease Control in Atlanta, Ga. has recommended that anyone who has been vaccinated before Jan. 1, 1980 be revaccinated, Levin said. The CDC suspected some of the old vaccine was mistreated, she said.

A push to give students a second vaccination isn't feasible for student health services or the county health department because,

according to Levin and Latta, there is not enough funding or enough vaccine to go around.

A few weeks ago there was a possible case of the measles reported at SJSU but it turned out to be a false alarm, Latta said.

"When that case came up, we started looking for vaccine. It doesn't look like we could have gotten any; not anytime soon," Latta said.

Although the state has agreed to provide health services with vaccine if the epidemic hits SJSU, Latta said, that would be no relief.

Besides each dose costing \$30, trying to vaccinate the entire campus would be, "... a huge undertaking," he said.

It took two teams of medical personnel two weeks, working

around the clock, to vaccinate 20,000 children in Guam, Latta said. There are more students and faculty to vaccinate here, he said.

The reason the epidemic is concerning health officials is because when adults contract measles there can be several complications, some resulting in death, Levin said.

The problem right now is not what happens after someone at SJSU is infected, the problem is how to prevent the epidemic from hitting SJSU, she said.

Spring break is just around the corner and some students are expected to head to Southern California.

Los Angeles is where the epide-

## Who's at Risk? ...for measles



Anyone vaccinated before Jan. 1, 1980, or who has never been vaccinated.



Anyone traveling to Southern California, where the measles epidemic hit last month.



Especially anyone over 18 years of age because the disease could lead to complications and death.

The national Centers for Disease Control recommend everyone be vaccinated at least twice.

Source: Health Center

Larry Sallabury and Edwin Acevedo/Daily Graphics

mic is.

The University of Southern California has been hit hard, Latta said.

In order to relax and have a good time while vacationing anywhere right now, Levin said, she recom-

mends a second dose of vaccine for anyone at risk.

Those at high risk are those who have never been vaccinated, those vaccinated before Jan. 1, 1980 and

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## Three blind mice



Kelley Chinn — Daily Staff Photographer

Occupational therapy students Loan Do, left, Brigitte Galvin, and Jennifer Chase share a laugh before they are led by a guide blind-

folded around the campus. The purpose of Occupational Therapy 115 is to learn how trust is developed between patient and therapist.

## Bike path issue taking turns

By Adam Steinhauer

Daily staff writer

SJSU's only bicycle lane runs down Seventh Street in front of the parking garage, winds through the parking lot next to the Rec Center, is blocked by a dumpster across the street from the Music Building and ends at the bicycle racks in front of the Central Classroom Building.

The Seventh Street lane (which may be redone) along with a lane to be painted on Ninth Street will be the only special paths established for the cyclists who have been limited to the streets that run through the SJSU campus.

These are the only paths, despite suggestions by Academic Senate and Associated Students board members that a more extensive network of lanes be established throughout the campus.

Counselor and professor Wiggy Sivertsen, who spoke against the policy at last Monday's Academic Senate meeting, said that she had made the suggestion at a meeting of the Academic Senate's public safety committee last year.

"I know that I made the suggestion and maybe several other people suggested that bike lanes be established throughout the campus wherever there are wide sidewalks," Sivertsen said.

Scott Lane, A.S. director of academic affairs, said that the same suggestion was made earlier this

**'The sidewalks are so densely packed with pedestrian traffic that we couldn't consider putting bike paths through them.'**

—Daniel Buerger,  
assistant to President Fullerton

semester when the board of directors met with Daniel Buerger, assistant to SJSU President Gail Fullerton.

"I can understand their liability concerns," Lane said of the bicycle policy. "But I thought that they went way, way too far with this."

Fullerton said that the bicycle policy, limiting riders to Ninth Street, was made earlier this

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## Campus garbage studied; environment survey taken

By Kevin J. Weil

Daily staff writer

As part of an effort to determine the environmental impact of the campus, students collected 12 bags of trash from 10 locations on campus Wednesday afternoon.

The dirty work began for the five members of SAFER, Student Affiliation For Environmental Respect, as they combed through trash from such areas as the cafeteria, the Dining Commons, Duncan Hall and the Art Building.

The students separated the trash into four categories: recyclables, non-recyclables, hazardous wastes and metals.

Recyclables included certain types of paper, aluminum cans and bottles. Among non-recyclables they found plastic containers, styrofoam cups, magazines and bathroom towels.

"Magazines are not recyclable because of the clay coating used to give the

See GARBAGE, back page

## Amnesty group raises awareness

By Michael Moeller

Daily staff writer

The elimination of the death penalty is a major part of the philosophy of Amnesty International. The SJSU chapter will be "Campaigning against the Death Penalty" this week on campus.

These actions come after a San Diego trial judge ruled that Robert Harris will be executed on April 7. Harris will be the first person to be executed in a non-southern state since the United States Supreme Court reinstated the death penalty in 1976.

"Both Pennsylvania and Illinois favor the death penalty but for some rea-

son they have held back from administering it," said William Chang, spokesman for the SJSU Amnesty chapter and the organizer of the campaign. "I think that California will definitely set an example for several other states with just this one case."

The campaign will consist of five events running throughout the week.

Today, Amnesty has an information table set up to pass out articles about the death penalty in California, as well as, throughout the world.

Tuesday, Amnesty will host a panel

discussion in the Umuunum Room in the Student Union. On hand will be Hilary Naylor from the Amnesty International Western Regional Office and Father Bob Leger from Campus Ministries.

Wednesday, there will be a video shown in the Costanoan Room in the Student Union.

Thursday, a candlelight vigil will be held to recognize the reactivation of the gas chambers in California.

The final event on Friday will be a

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## Students march to remember Malcolm X

Anniversary of slaying brings group together

By Nick Fisher

Daily staff writer

African-American Students in Mass Communications want its voice and the teachings of Malcolm X to be heard at SJSU.

On Wednesday, about 20 ASMC members and other students marched from the fountain to the Student Union chanting, "You can kill the man, but you can't kill the revolution; forward ever, backwards never; fight to power, remember Malcolm."

The marchers were celebrating the 25th anniversary of the assassination of Malcolm X.

"These chants give us a communication link and show unity among African-American students," said John Robinson, vice president of the ASMC.

The students, holding a sign reading "Exemplify Malcolm X," marched

through campus with ASMC member Imani Kuumba leading the way and leading the cheers with loudspeaker in hand.

As the band weaved its way through early-afternoon student traffic, they were met with a range of reactions: smattering of applause, clenched fists, derisive laughter and curiosity.

The group gathered at the Student Union amphitheater to hear speakers reflect on how Malcolm X, a part of the history of the civil rights movement, applies to their lives today.

Amani Kuumba, who is running for a seat on city council in District 3, described Malcolm X as someone "who put things into action."

Malcolm X was "strong enough to tell the forces that be, 'You have got to listen to what is happening to us. We (Africans) have greatness wherever we are. We have a greatness in tradition, and you have got to respect that.' And there is nothing wrong with that," Kuumba said.

"He wanted to bring African people

together and make sure that African people strive and progress to the best of their ability," Kuumba said.

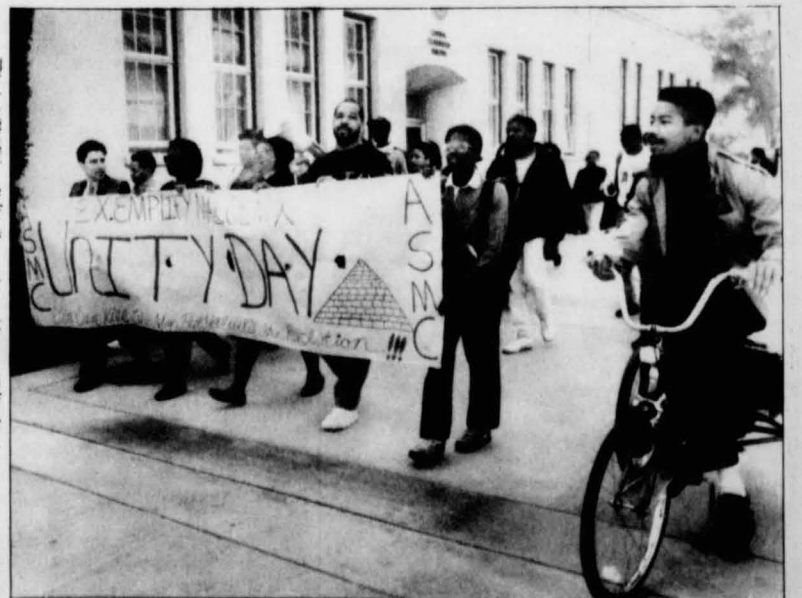
Monica Braboy, president of the ASMC, said that the march was a way of bringing African-American students together at SJSU.

The ASMC, formed in the spring semester of 1988, publishes "Forward" magazine, which writes about issues that affect African-American students.

Braboy said that they were "having a march to promote unity among people of color on campus and to show support for the teachings of Malcolm X. It is our contribution to African Awareness Month."

Imani Kuumba said that although African Awareness Month is positive, "we forget the fact that each year, 365 days a year, we struggle throughout this world. We struggle for awareness, pride, dignity and self respect."

"Malcolm brought that issue up," he said.



Ken Kwok — Daily Staff Photographer

Marchers commemorate the anniversary of Malcolm X's assassination



## SPARTAN

## FORUM

Editorial

Revised policy  
a token change

The editorial staff at the Spartan Daily would like to express its profound gratitude to SJSU President Gail Fullerton for her magnanimous gesture in allowing students to ride their bicycles on campus before 7 a.m. and after 10 p.m.

However, we are confused as to what this petty change will accomplish.

The safety of students who need to ride their bikes for safety reasons after night classes in the dangerous outlying community is being ignored.

Night classes at SJSU start between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. and end about 9 p.m. What are these students going to do until 10 p.m. when they are allowed to ride the bicycles?

Most will have to wait for more than an hour before they can ride their bikes across campus. No one is going to wait for an hour to ride their bike, they will either walk, or violate the regulations, risking a citation.

Because the bike racks have been moved to the perimeters of campus, student cyclists will also have farther to walk through SJSU's dimly lit campus.

The safety of cyclists is again put in jeopardy when they are forced to walk their bikes across campus in the late hours.

Who can blame the students that violate this ridiculous ban? During the evenings, there is nowhere near the amount of pedestrian traffic to warrant such strict restrictions on bicycle riding.

The university administration adopted the policy because it believed the safety of pedestrians was the principal concern.

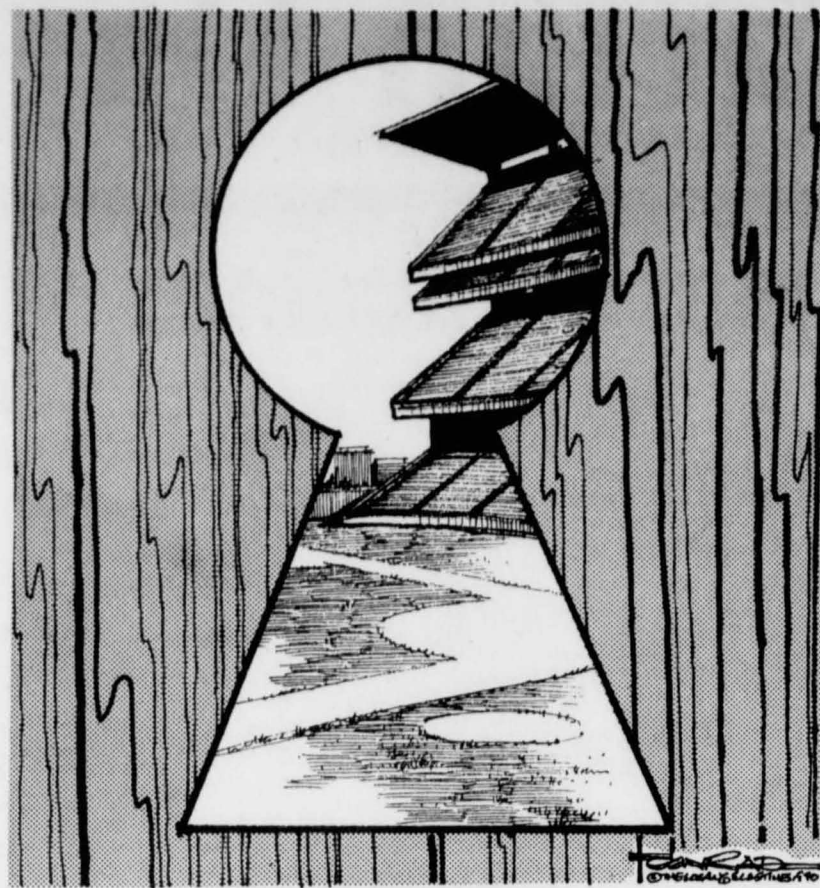
However, in the month that the regulation has been in force, there have been two injury accidents involving cars colliding with bicycles. Both accidents occurred on the same street, within 40 feet of each other. What happened to the safety of cyclists?

There are not enough bike lanes around the outlying areas of campus to accommodate the commuting cyclists. Not allowing them to ride on the sidewalk after peak pedestrian hours — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. — makes them vulnerable to hapless drivers who aren't paying attention because they are so intent on getting to their destination the quickest way possible.

SJSU's "apathetic" students made the effort to go before the A.S. board, with more than 2,000 signatures, hoping to get a reasonable compromise. What they received was a token change that will not benefit anyone.

A.S. President Scott Santandrea evidently felt they should feel grateful for the trivial change, if his commendation to Fullerton was to be believed. Instead of representing the student population on an issue they felt strongly about, a duty inherent to his position in the A.S., he took whatever bone the administration would throw him.

If President Fullerton was really concerned about the safety of the student body she serves, she would make a meaningful compromise, not a token action meant to dodge protests.



THE KNOTHOLE GANG

## Recycling efforts are not met in U.S.

When you throw something away, do you ever wonder what "away" actually is?

Unfortunately there is no such place as "away." Garbage does not disappear but must be put in a dump site.

And the United States is rapidly running out of places to put all of the refuse that our throwaway society is accumulating.

Waste is one of the major threats to our earth's environment and the United States is the largest contributor to the millions of tons of garbage plaguing the planet.

Almost every consumer product available to us is disposable, from the pens we write with, the razors we shave and the dishes we microwave our food in.

But what can we do? Recycle, recycle and recycle some more.

In Japan recycling has become a way of life. The Japanese separate all the bottles, cans, burnables and non-burnables before the trash is collected so that it can be properly recycled.

Such rigorous devotion needs

## REPORTERS' FORUM



BY DENISE REYNOLDS

Our government  
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and recycling.

to be followed in this country. People need to sort out all the recyclable items from their trash.

Our government needs to devel-

ope better systems of waste management and recycling. At the present time, the United States recycles only 10 percent of its garbage. Compare this figure to Japan, which now recycles more than 50% of its trash.

I'm not trying to paint a picture of gloom and doom. I do see efforts being made to recycle in our community.

My mother faithfully separates all the cans, bottles, and newspapers and leaves them by the curb every Friday for the recycling truck to collect.

My sorority has bins for all our recyclable trash and we take turns delivering it to recycling depots.

The Spartan Daily even has a bin in the newsroom for all our aluminum cans.

In the light of the nations current garbage problems, and the present rate of recycling, these efforts seem so small. Our work is certainly cut out for us.

But if we don't do something soon, we really will have no place to throw our trash "away."

Denise Reynolds is a Daily staff writer

## Mayoral candidates lack recognition

Most of you probably know who the mayor of San Jose is right now. (Tom McEnery for those of you who don't.)

But, how many people know about the candidates that are trying to take over for McEnery. There are three front-runners, but I would bet that many people have no idea of who they are.

Two of the three candidates are city councilwomen. In a true democracy, we would all know about them from seeing them at city council meetings. But, when was the last time you went to a city council meeting? 6th grade? Never?

I have been to three city council meetings, two of which were school-required. The other time was a few years ago when San Jose was considering Measure H, the downtown arena proposal. I heard there was to be opposition for the proposal, so I wanted to go and show support for the arena.

People just don't pay attention to city politics. As long as things are going OK, people don't get involved.

A mayor is the leader of a city, and we should all know what the mayor is up to. The only thing most of us seem to know about McEnery is that he pushed for the redevelopment of downtown, in-

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BY RANDY ROBERTSON

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cluding the arena.

The two councilwomen candidates, Shirley Lewis and Susan Hammer, have had vanilla campaigns so far. They have agreed with McEnery's redevelopment plan, but they have yet to elaborate on anything further. How are we supposed to vote for someone we know nothing about.

The third candidate is Frank Fiscalini. Does that name ring a bell? I've never heard of him either. Apparently, he is a former East Side schools superintendent and general

mover-and-shaker.

About the only thing of note Fiscalini has said is that he wants to see free parking in downtown San Jose. Gee, that's nice. That should really turn the vote in his favor.

What kind of budget proposals would the three candidates make? Will downtown continue to be the main concern of the city, or will the larger suburbs finally get some attention? If so, what will they do for us? How can we ease the traffic problems? Will our school system be improved so that children can get a better advantage in the world?

Questions like these need to be addressed if we are to figure out what kind of mayor each candidate would make.

As the mayoral race goes on, we should all keep informed about who these people are and what they want to do. While San Jose has prospered under McEnery in the 1980s, the '90s could be different.

If we want to keep up with the rest of the world and maintain the edge that Silicon Valley holds, we need a strong mayor to make things happen. Let's just hope that in the next few months one of these candidates steps out and distinguishes his/herself.

Randy Robertson is a Daily staff writer

## Other Viewpoints

The Redding Record Searchlight  
on small schools

If ever there was a county with a bushel full of small school districts it is Tehama; and a school district there called Flourney is tiny even by Tehama standards.

Last year, Flourney had as few as 10 students in its kindergarten-through-eighth-grade school, which tied it for the smallest district in the state. This year, Flourney began the school year with 11 students, but now has 16, including one student in every grade except second.

Flourney has a teacher, a business manager and a school board with five members.

Districts such as Flourney came under the spotlight of the state's Little Hoover Commission last week. In an important report on education, the watchdog commission, among other things, recommended a study on consolidating some of the state's smallest school districts and breaking up some of the biggest.

There's something to be said for the closeness of community and neighborhood schools, but very small schools cannot begin to provide the range of academic experience bigger schools offer.

## SPARTAN

## FORUM

Letters to the Editor

## Generalizations not necessary

Editor,

For several weeks there has been a controversy on campus over a cartoon that ran in the Spartan Daily. I would like to throw in my two cents and add the perspective of an Anglo who benefits from these programs.

The authors of this cartoon are obviously misinformed on the nature of programs that help educationally disadvantaged youth enter, and survive, the college experience.

These authors seem to think that the criteria is solely the color of your skin. This is untrue.

These programs are designed not only to assist the youth of the barrios and ghettos but also white youth from low income communities, which traditionally have inferior schools, to attain the goal of attending college. A goal that has been de facto reserved for more affluent members of our society.

Education is becoming a necessity in this world and it should not be limited to those who are lucky enough to be born into families that can live in a good school district. It is this inequity that programs such as those that are denigrated in the Spartan Daily cartoon I seek to address.

My knowledge of these programs is quite legitimate and personal.

When Damian Trujillo was first appointed to the Associated Students Board of Directors and the Daily ran a story on him, some of his comments sounded like they could have come out of my mouth.

I too came from a community where going to college was not expected of us. We were to graduate from high school and go to work in the factory. Quite similar in many respects to Damian's story.

But, as you see, I sit here on the A.S. Board one year away from becoming the first person in my family to get a college education.

My achieving this feat is due to the Education Opportunity Program. As you can tell by looking at me, I do not come from any "underrepresented minority" as the authors of this cartoon would have you believe. Rather, because I had the misfortune to be born into a blue collar family and consequently because of that environment to become educationally disadvantaged, the likelihood of my receiving a college education was remote. But with the assistance of EOP, I am now receiving one.

To close this, I would like to suggest to people who will make rash conclusions and sweeping generalizations to first take a look at what they are talking about.

Jim Walters  
A.S. Vice President  
Junior  
History

## Criticism of Greeks sickening

Editor,

After reading Shawn Martin's remarks in the Spartan Daily I wasn't sure if I should quit my fraternity and take up the struggle against those bad boys and girls of the greek system or simply vomit. I have read many articles in my four years at SJSU that have criticized the greek system. I am finally sick to my stomach of listening to these moral experts tell me how unsatisfactory it is to be a Greek.

Shawn Martin's letter generalized all Greeks as being cheaters and plagiarists. I would be upset if it wasn't for the fact that the letter was such a joke.

We were criticized for having test files that we use to cheat our fellow students out of getting good grades.

Test files are an accumulation of tests filed by subject and by instructor, so that fraternity and sorority members will have the ability to review before a test.

Unless your greek classmates had a copy of a test in front of them during the exam you have no cause to call them cheaters. For the same reason it isn't immoral to review your old written DMV driving tests before you renew your license.

Simply because someone has a copy of a test doesn't mean that they have the correct answers or even a guarantee that the instructor didn't change the questions. If instructors don't want students to review old tests then they should write new questions.

SJSU has a place that you should visit sometime, called the Reserve Book Room. There the instructors keep copies of various tests they have given over the years.

If greeks aren't real students as you suggest, then I suppose the instructors that provide tests aren't real instructors either. SJSU, for that matter, isn't a real university because they allow such files in their own library.

Shawn is correct that greek GPA's are below the all men's and women's averages. Through your own words you have proven that we aren't cheating, due to the fact that our grades are lower. Therefore, greeks aren't setting curves, so our fellow students aren't being cheated out of grades.

Think about what you are saying next time.

The belief that greeks are constantly intoxicated is a very weak and ignorant statement. If no more true leaders are to come out of the greek system as Shawn says, then society may be in trouble. Leaders certainly won't come from those who try to create problems by telling on their fellow students when they don't know what they're talking about. If you are really troubled by the greeks in your class, be a leader and talk to them about the matter, not your instructor.

I hope that your shattered belief that college students had integrity can be restored. I have never used tests in a test file for the simple reason that my fraternity does not have one. Since I am one of the intoxicated, cheating greeks who has no morals and is ruining society for you, I will live up to that reputation by starting a test file in my own house. Thanks for the idea.

Robert Nellis  
Senior  
Marketing

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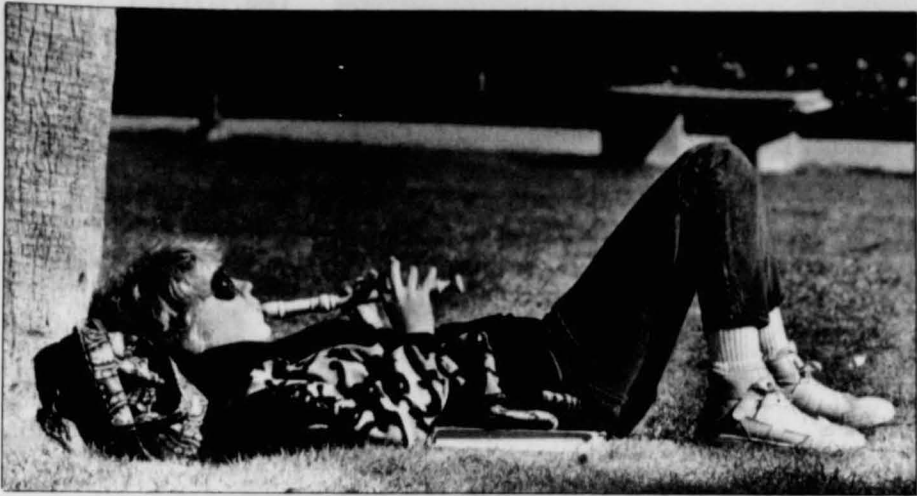
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## Toot sweet



Kelley Chinn—Spartan Daily photographer

Carolyn Trent, a junior majoring in creative arts, plays a "recorder"—a renaissance wind instrument. She spent the afternoon playing her instrument in front of the Tower Hall.

### SpartaGuide

SpartaGuide is a daily calendar available to SJSU student, faculty and staff organizations at no charge.

Forms are available in the Daily newsroom, Wahlquist Library North Room 104 and at the Information Center of the Student Union. The deadline for entries is 10 a.m. No phone-in items will be accepted.

#### TODAY

**WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP:** Ongoing, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Counseling Services, Admin. 201. Call 924-5910.

**ECONOMICS STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION:** General Meeting, 4 p.m., S.U. Almaden Room.

**CAREER PLANNING AND PLACEMENT CENTER:** Employer Presentation, careers with Rolm Systems, 12:30 p.m., S.U. Costanoan Room. Call 924-6016.

**A.S. INTERCULTURAL STEERING COMMITTEE:** Regular Meeting, 3 p.m., S.U. Montalvo Room.

**AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL:** Information table, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., front of S.U. Call 257-6050.

**CALMECA PROJECT:** F.A. Workshop, 1 p.m., S.U. Umuunhum Room. Call 298-0980.

#### TUESDAY

**CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST:** Prime time, 7:05 p.m., Engineering Building Auditorium. Call 294-4249.

**ECONOMICS STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION:** Speaker June Lim, 2 p.m., BC 1. Call 262-2961.

**MARKETING CLUB:** Speaker: Mark Lacey, Northwest Airlines, 3:30 p.m., Student Union. Call 281-3161.

**CAREER PLANNING AND PLACEMENT CENTER:** Employer Presentation, Careers with Varian, 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., S.U. Guadalupe Room; employer presentation, Careers with Otis Elevator, 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., S.U. Almaden Room; career exploration by computer, learn how to use GIS, computerized guidance information systems, to obtain occupational, college graduate school and financial aid information, sign up in BC 13 no later than a day before. 11:30 a.m., BC 13; careers in mechanical engineering, 11:30 a.m., S.U. Costanoan. Call 924-6030.

**AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL:** Panel Discussion on the Death Penalty with panelists from Amnesty International, the Campus Ministry and the chairman of the Political Sci Dept., noon, S.U. Umuunhum Room. Call 257-6050.

**ASIAN AMERICAN CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP:** Large Group Meeting, 7 p.m., S.U. Guadalupe Room. Call 224-4520.

**RUSSIAN CLUB:** Weekly Meeting, 2 p.m., I.R.C. 310. Call 292-7625.

#### WEDNESDAY

**ASSOCIATION OF ROCK-N-ROLL:** Noon-time concert featuring Gypsy Lane, S.U. Amphitheater, Free admission. Call 287-6417.

**VIETNAMESE STUDENT ASSOCIATION:** University wide forum on the educational needs of Vietnamese and Vietnamese Americans at SJSU, 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., S.U. Costanoan Room. Call 924-5595.

**CAREER PLANNING AND PLACEMENT CENTER:** Employer Presentation, careers with LSI Logic, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., S.U. Guadalupe Room. Call 924-6010; on campus interview orientation, learn how to maximize your chances for employment through this opportunity to with employers for anticipated positions, 5:30 p.m., S.U. Almaden Rm. Call 4-6030.

**A.S.P.B.:** Wed. nite cinema, "Lethal Weapon 2," 7 p.m. and 10 p.m., Morris Daily Aud., \$2. Call 924-6261.

**VIETNAMESE STUDENT ASS'N AND EDUCATIONAL EQUITY TASK FORCE, SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE:** "Speaking from the Heart: Vietnamese Students talk candidly about their educational experiences at SJSU," 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., S.U. Costanoan Room. Call 924-5595.

**AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL:** Video, Amnesty International on the death penalty, noon, S.U. Costanoan Rm. Call 257-6050.

**GOLDEN KEY NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY:** Information table, 8 a.m. to noon, in front of S.U. Call 629-4403.

**PRE-MED CLUB:** Meeting (discuss bowl-a-thon and U.C.S.F. tour) 1:30 p.m., DH 345.

**ASIAN BUSINESS LEAGUE:** Movie night, Lethal Weapon 2, 7 p.m., Morris Daily Aud.

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### YesterDaily

Because many students are not on campus every day, YesterDaily provides readers with a recap of the previous day's top stories.

A cracked water main left Fourth Street residents between San Carlos and San Salvador streets out of water for most of Thursday. The garage entrance was blocked and students were diverted to the back entrance.

A.S. approved a special allocations grant of \$3,517 for the Chicano Commencement Committee. The funds will be used for a reception and party for graduating Hispanics and other students.

UPD has been issuing warnings to bicycle riders who aren't parking in one of the racks. The new bicycle policy wasn't supposed to take effect until a sufficient amount of racks were provided, and according to Gina Sutherst, A.S. director of student rights, another 1,250 spaces are needed.

A female Spartan Bookstore employee was assaulted by an alleged shoplifter when she confronted him just outside the bookstore Tuesday afternoon. The woman escaped with minor injuries. A student video taping background scenes for one of his classes captured the suspect in film. UPD investigators identified the suspect but still have not apprehended him.

A 22-year-old document discovered by Aaron King, chairman of the A.S. Funding Committee at Moss Landing Marine Laboratories could entitle the lab 75 percent of the total amount of fees paid by each SJSU student that is enrolled at Moss Landing. The discovery of this document is the latest development in an already complicated funding problem that has plagued Moss Landing students.

## Ethiopians form peer club

By Adolfo Torres  
Daily staff writer

The need for Ethiopian economic excellence caused students at SJSU to create a new club.

Zebene Techane, along with three other students, took an interest in the subject and created Association of Ethiopian Students (AES) last semester.

The need for progress, economic and educational excellence was on their minds when they created the club.

"We want to help one another," said Techane, a senior in business administration.

AES hopes to change the attitudes of students in regards to cultural diversity in the campus, Techane added. "We want people to know we exist and we can assist them with their work."

The club has about 25 active members counseling and helping each other by tutoring classmates in different subjects.

The club hopes to increase its membership and to continue with the task the members had started, according to Yohannes Atlaw, a graduate student in cybernetic systems.

AES is undergoing changes and will have seminars with Ethiopian community leaders to help their

members obtain better jobs when they leave the university, Atlaw said. "There are many leaders in the community that can help promote our organization."

"Ethiopian students are not aware of the many services the university has to offer and AES is working to educate its members about the many activities and services they can take advantage of," said Dejen Eshete, a graduate student in industrial technology.

Efficiency was the key word Techane used to explain the purpose of the club. According to him, if the students are aware of the services the university can provide, they will obtain better grades and will get better jobs once they leave the university.

Peer support, information, tutoring, and counseling are some of the services they have been working on since AES was created, said Hana Sulemen, a senior in chemistry.

According to Atlaw, the university tutoring program does not suit Ethiopian students because most of them hold full-time jobs and cannot make the tutoring sessions.

10202 "We get together in one house and explain to each other what we don't understand," he said.

"By having these sessions I will not hesitate to ask my fellow students to help me with one class," Techane said.

He thinks that having students explain the subjects in their own language can help them get better grades.

Eshete can relate to students who can understand the subject and know his weaknesses. They think the university is helping the students and more assistance will create better professionals.

"The number of Ethiopian students is increasing and these students need to know that the university has a club that can assist them in their education," said Sulemen. "Some students can not identify here and we hope to help them with our club."

"We want to have a network established, we will graduate and leave and we want to keep this program to help others as we were helped," Eshete said.

### Four lotto winners divide \$68.5 million

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Two of the four lotto ticket holders who will divide up a \$68.5 million jackpot Friday reveled in their luck at winning shares of North America's third-largest lottery prize.

"To adopt a favorite California word it's 'Wow, awesome,'" said

Joan Young, a former legal secretary from Hackensack, N.J., who retired to California with her husband Charles a year and a half ago.

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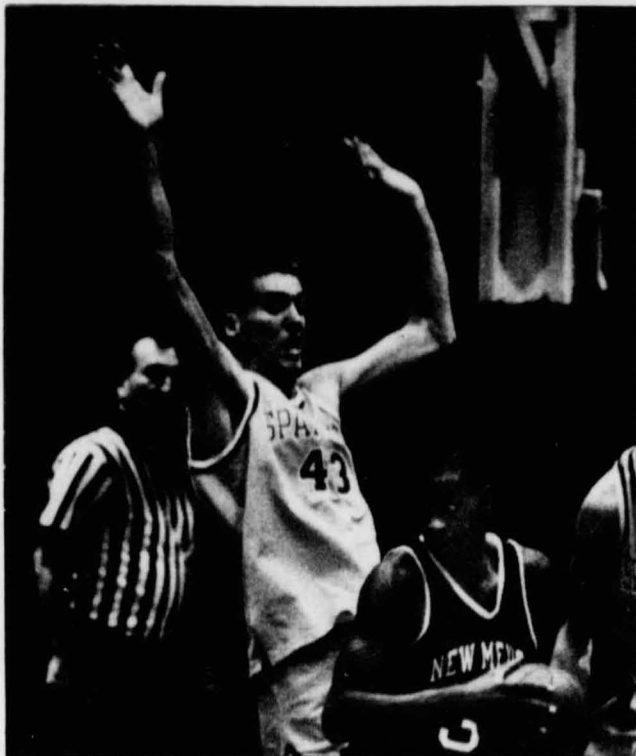
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## Family business



Heather McPherson, above, attempts two shots at the free throw line in the Spartans' 86-59 loss to UNLV. Brother, Craig, left, pictured playing against New Mexico State, was the 'new' Spartans leading scorer with a 14.2 average in the 1989 season.

Kelley Chinn — Daily staff photographer

## Heather McPherson debuts in mid-season

By Mark Smith  
Daily staff writer

When SJSU is short on basketball players, it calls on the "McPherson Replacement Company."

For the second year in a row a McPherson has been summoned to help rescue the SJSU basketball program. This year Heather McPherson, who plays on the Spartan volleyball team during the fall, has decided to play for the understaffed women's basketball team.

Last season Heather's brother Craig played for the "New Spartans." He was one of the ten players recruited on campus after the Jan. 18 10-player walkout refuting former coach Bill Berry.

Craig was the replacement team's leading scorer and second leading rebounder with 14.2 and 6.0 averages per game respectively.

Craig McPherson currently plays for three or four semi-pro leagues, Heather said.

Heather McPherson joined the women's team under less volatile circumstances than her brother. The only problem the women's team faces is a lack of bodies because of injuries and quitting. "It was so long ago," replied former Homestead High School teammate Julie Szukalski to the elapsed time since Heather and she last played together.

Szukalski, now a star center for UOP, achieved all-league honors at Homestead along with McPherson.

Their greatest accomplishment while playing together was beating arch-rival Archbishop Mitty in the Central Coast Section finals.

McPherson, the former DeAnza League Most Valuable Player and a first team all-Santa Clara County choice in basketball, has excelled during her three years of playing Spartan volleyball.

"She always liked volleyball better," Szukalski said.

Since volleyball is in its off-season and the basketball team in dyer need for players, volleyball head coach Dick Montgomery was the first to make a suggestion to Heather to go out for basketball, he said.

"Basketball will make Heather grow as an athlete," Montgomery said. "Experiencing different athletes, coaches and observing how other sports work will be a good learning experience. This will make Heather a more tolerant player. I am not the only coach who drives players hard in practice."

Montgomery made the initial suggestion, but McPherson made the final decision to play basketball. So McPherson suited up the next day for the Spartans' Feb. 3 contest against UOP.

"I'm so behind skill wise," said the six foot junior, "and the college game is much more physical and played at a higher level."

"But it's fun playing in practice

and if I get any playing time it will be a bonus. I feel welcomed and the rest of the players give me nothing but encouragement."

Heather was thrust into play against Santa Barbara on Feb. 8 because the Spartan front court was in foul trouble.

"Coach Krah called me to the front of the bench near the end of game," Heather said. "I was laughing because I was so nervous."

"Give me some good minutes," Krah said.

Heather made an inauspicious debut when she played only two minutes before picking up her first collegiate foul as she was setting up a screen for Sherry "Spud" Yudd.

"Heather is a bonus to our club," Krah said, "because of her aggressive play and winning attitude."

SJSU volleyball is currently in spring practice, but running full court keeps Heather McPherson in great shape.

"Missing (volleyball) practice is no problem," Montgomery said.

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sands of insect specimens. Insects, which are important not only as pollinators, act as indicators of the health of an ecosystem. They are also a source of food in the Chinese, American Indian and Aborigine cultures.

## Investors trying to keep North Stars franchise from moving

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — A group that includes Minnesota businessman Harvey Mackay Friday expressed interest in negotiating for local investors to buy the Minnesota North Stars, whose owners have said they'll move the NHL team to California if a buyer cannot be found to keep it in the state.

"We are optimistic that a deal can be struck to keep the North Stars in Minnesota, but this is far from a completed transaction," the group, which calls itself North Star Hockey Partners of Minnesota, said in a prepared statement released before a news conference late this morning.

According to the statement, Mackay called North Stars co-owner Gordon Gund Wednesday

night to tell him about a letter Gund would receive from the Mackay group. The statement said the letter "indicated an offer to open direct and serious negotiations for the purchase of the Minnesota North Stars by a group of local investors."

Mackay also talked with NHL commissioner John Ziegler and sent him a copy of the letter. The statement said Mackay had a cordial conversation with Gund and received "a very positive response" from Ziegler.

Mackay did not attend the news conference. He was in California and not expected back until next week.

Gordon Gund and his co-owner brother, George, said Wednesday they would move the franchise to

the San Francisco Bay area if a buyer could not be found to keep the team in Minnesota.

"Based upon the circumstances that exist here now, it's unworkable," Gordon Gund said after the team's demand for \$15 million in improvements to Met Center was rejected Wednesday. "We intend to move our team unless there is a buyer."

Gund said they want at least \$50 million for the team, which they have owned since 1978. That's the same price tag the NHL has placed on its expansion franchises. But the most recent sale of an NHL franchise — the Hartford Whalers in 1989 — was completed for \$31 million.

## 80s end with lowest traffic death rate ever

WASHINGTON (AP) — The 1980s ended with the lowest annual traffic death rate ever, capping a decade in which many Americans declared war on drunken driving and began using long-neglected safety belts, federal officials say.

The 1989 fatality rate was 2.2 deaths per 100 million miles traveled, down from 2.3 the previous year and one-third lower than the 1980 rate of 3.3, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reported.

Fatalities in 1989 are estimated at 45,500, compared with 47,093 in 1988. Final numbers for last year are still being tallied but are unlikely to change significantly, officials said.

"The reduction in traffic deaths during the 1980s reflects our national resolve against drunk driving, increased safety belt use and a generally heightened awareness of highway safety," Transportation Secretary Samuel K. Skinner said Thursday.

The death rate probably will continue downward in the 1990s, even if more miles are driven, as the government expands safety

regulations and the automobile industry makes vehicles more crashworthy, officials said.

"This means that American motorists are less at risk than ever before," NHTSA administrator Jerry R. Curry said.

The fatality rate is the most widely accepted measure of highway safety trends, Curry said. It takes into account changes in miles driven from year to year, and even a slight increase or decrease can reflect a difference of thousands of lives.

If last year's rate were the same as in 1980, for example, the number of deaths would have been 69,800 instead of 45,500.

Joan Claybrook, NHTSA administrator during the Carter administration who criticized the agency's performance in the Reagan years, also hailed the improved fatality rate. But it resulted in part from standards the federal government adopted grudgingly, she said.

"Even when Reagan was saying get the government off our backs, state legislatures were continuing to pass these safety requirements with these incredibly high pay-

offs," said Ms. Claybrook, now president of Public Citizen, a public interest group founded by Ralph Nader.

Thirty-three states and the District of Columbia have enacted mandatory seat belt laws since 1984. The total fell from 34 last fall when North Dakota voters rejected by referendum a bill that had cleared the state legislature.

Seat belt use has increased from 10 to 15 percent in the early 1980s to around 47 percent, said Jeffrey Miller, deputy NHTSA administrator.

A regulation that took effect in September requires all cars made in the United States to have air bags or automatic safety belts.

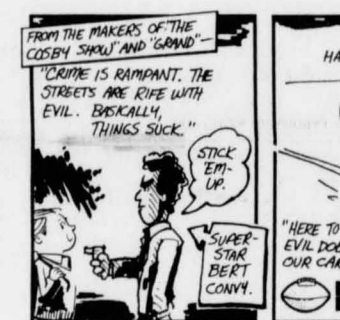
"That will save thousands of lives every year," Ms. Claybrook said. "It's the most important health standard in America."

Meanwhile, all states now require child restraint seats and have established 21 as the minimum drinking age. Alcohol-related highway deaths have fallen from about 28,000 in 1980 to 23,500 in 1988, a 17 percent decline. The number of teen-agers involved in such crashes fell by one-third between 1982 and 1986, Miller said.

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Oliver Kesting gathers a garbage sample from the dumpster on Seventh and San Fernando streets for a campus environmental audit.

## Garbage: Survey taken

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paper that shiny surface," Montenegro said. "Bathroom towels and phone books are not recyclable because nobody will take them."

Of 140 pounds of garbage collected, 61 pounds were recyclable and 79 pounds were non-recyclable.

"I'm hoping that people are recycling more... On the flip side of the coin, the amount of non-recyclables says that we're disposing a lot unnecessarily," he said.

About 13 pounds of hazardous waste were removed from the trash collected behind the art building which consisted of paper towels soaked with oil-based paints and thinners and empty paint cans.

"There are certain codes such as the Code of Federal Regulations title 49 and title 22 of the California Administrative Code that regulate the disposal of hazardous waste," said Ted Toleran, director of Environmental Health and Safety.

The waste is packed into 55 gallon drums before it is picked up for disposal, according to Toleran.

"I'll be looking in to how that happened. We're responsible for the employees, but as far as the students it is up to the faculty and technicians to instruct them," he said.

The art department has a procedure for properly disposing of these hazardous wastes but controlling 1,400 art students is difficult, according to an art department supply staff person.

The garbage survey was one aspect of the campus audit that is being conducted jointly by members of the Environmental Resource Center and SAFER.

"We want to determine the composition of the waste stream," said Ernesto Montenegro, president of SAFER, who is coordinating the audit.

"The audit will look at all aspects of how the campus affects the environment," he said. "Electricity consumption, water consumption, (gas) emissions are all part of the audit."

Montenegro said at the Feb. 14 SAFER meeting that he expects to complete the audit by March 10.

## Justice Department asks for review

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department said Friday it will ask the Supreme Court to review a federal judge's finding that a law Congress passed last year to ban flag burning is unconstitutional.

Chief spokesman David Runkel said the Justice Department would file a notice in Seattle federal court Friday of its intention to appeal Wednesday's ruling by a judge there.

Runkel said the government will then have 30 days to file its brief in the high court.

The law was passed after the Supreme Court last year struck down a Texas statute that provided criminal penalties for flag burning.

Backers of a constitutional ban on flag burning say Wednesday's ruling shows Congress didn't go far enough when it outlawed flag desecration.

## Amnesty

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march from the Art Quad at SJSU to the United States Federal Building in Downtown San Jose.

"I hope that we can raise the student awareness of the issues surrounding the death penalty," Chang said.

"If people were more aware of all the issues such as the economics, how the penalty is really carried out, and the racial prejudices that occur regarding it, they would not be in favor of the penalty," Chang said.

Amnesty International is a non-profit organization that works for the release of prisoners of consciences, fair and prompt trials and the end to all forms of torture and execution throughout the world.

"The question isn't whether the criminals are sentenced to death or even if they actually are killed," Chang said. "The problem is whether we should sentence people to death or put them in jail for life."

"Did you know that the United States is the only western industrial country that still uses the death penalty," he said.

According to Amnesty, all forms of executions are more expensive than the cost of imprisoning a person for life.

In Florida, Amnesty states that it costs taxpayers \$3,178,000 per individual to be executed as compared to \$602,000 to imprison a person for 40 years.

"I think that the people of California generally are in favor of the death penalty, they voted three members off the California Supreme Court during the last elections because of their stance on the death penalty," Chang said.

"If they just knew the whole story about the death penalty then I think that a lot of people would change their minds."

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## Bikes: Lanes debated by senate

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Street, San Carlos Street, Seventh Street except between Clark Library and the Engineering Building, the streets bordering the campus and Eighth and Fifth streets south of San Carlos, was established because of law suits against other CSU campuses by pedestrians who were hit by cyclists.

Buerger said that Sivertsen's suggestion couldn't be applied because of SJSU's crowding problems.

"The sidewalks are so densely packed with pedestrian traffic that we couldn't consider putting bike paths through them," Buerger said.

But Sivertsen said that the suggestion was never considered because of the emotion surrounding the debate over the bike policy. "There was so much animosity, it was like those students who wanted a more moderate policy were saying they wanted to run over people with their bikes and those who wanted no bikes on campus were saying that the students wanted to run over people with their bikes," Sivertsen said.

"When you get two sides lined up like that it's very difficult to come up with a creative solution."

The University of California at Davis has a system of bicycle paths similar to what Sivertsen had in mind.

UC Davis sometimes sees as many as 20,000 bicycles on campus in a day, according to David Takemoto, principal clerk of UC Davis's campus police.

SJSU sees a maximum of about 2,000 bicycles a day, according to Gina Sutherst, A.S. director of student rights and responsibilities.

Takemoto said that bicycles outnumber pedestrians four-to-one at UC Davis.

Bicycle versus pedestrian accidents are fairly infrequent at UC Davis, according to Takemoto, and the ones that do occur usually take place on main roadways rather than special paths for bicycles.

"For the most part, our system is working pretty well," Takemoto said. "I would think that anything that works in our situation would work there if you only have 2,000 bikes."

But Buerger pointed out that UC

Davis has a much larger campus than SJSU.

The small size and large enrollment at SJSU create a great deal of crowding at what Buerger calls the core areas of campus. These include the areas around the Tower and the fountain, Clark Library, the Engineering Building and the Student Union.

Buerger said that large pedestrian traffic through these areas prohibit bike paths through them.

Dan Sandoval, an associate engineering technician in San Jose's public works department, said that bicycle lanes probably won't be established in the near future on the streets around campus because parking spaces would have to be sacrificed.

But Sandoval also said that a study is underway to determine if the city could somehow ease the downtown parking problem and provide more bike lanes.

Buerger said that changes in the bike policy, including a new Seventh Street path, are likely as the administration sees and discusses problems with the policy. "It's not finished yet by any means,"

## Measles: Double vaccine advised

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those who think they might come in contact with someone who has the measles, Levin said.

Since late 1989, the CDC and the American Academy of Pediatrics have been advising physicians and health officials to immunize everyone twice, said Ken Allman, program consultant at the CDC.

There are several reasons for the change in thinking concerning the measles, Allman said.

There are physicians who have

been recommending two vaccinations since 1979 but because of funding nobody followed through, he said.

Another reason for a change in thinking is the idea that maybe the strength of the vaccine weans with age, Allman said.

The vaccine is effective at best 95 percent of the time, according to Allman. All of those factors lead to the recommendation of a double vaccine schedule, he said.

As of Feb. 14, the Santa Clara

County Health Department has confirmed three cases of the measles in the county and an alarming 55 cases in neighboring Alameda County, Levin said.

If the idea of getting a shot is nauseating, a blood test can be done to check whether measles antibodies are present or not, Levin said.

The bottom line is, "if you have an illness with a fever and a rash, stay home," Levin said.

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